



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following Notice of Proposed Action under the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Clean Water Act. The Administrator has received an application for a Temporary Authorization to Apply Domestic Septage, Permit TNEV2014342, from the following applicant:

**Tom Baker
PO Box 170
Baker, White Pine County, Nevada 89311**

Tom Baker (the Permittee) proposes to land apply domestic septage removed from Great Basin National Park (the Park) to portions of Baker Ranch in Baker, Nevada. The applied material will be for soil amendment to allow the Permittee to grow and harvest corn and alfalfa. All buffer zones and setbacks required by both the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection will be adhered to for as long as the material is applied. Material applied must be incorporated into the soil within six hours of land application. The rate of land application will be limited by the nitrogen uptake of the crop to be grown. The Applicant will be required to plant a crop to utilize the nitrogen within one year of land application. The Permittee is required to have irrigation water rights for the land at the time domestic septage is applied.

Based on a preliminary review of the Nevada Revised Statutes requirements, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue permit TNEV2014342 to discharge for a 180 day period, subject to certain limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within fifteen (15) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on October 18, 2013, either in person or by mail to:

**Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, NV 89701-5249**

Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before 5:00 P.M. October

18, 2013 will also be accepted. All requests for hearings must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the fifteen (15) day comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. The public notice of such hearings will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the public hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Briana Johnson, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775)687-9419, or at briana.johnson@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. This notice is also available on the NDEP website at www.ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.